# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN DIVISION

LEONARD J. SAMIA PLAINTIFF

v. Civil Action No. 1:09cv803LG-RHW

BRENTSTONE PARTNERS, L.P.

**DEFENDANT** 

## AGREED ORDER

This cause came on for hearing on Brentstone Partners, L.P.'s Motion for Summary Judgment, and the Court having considered the Motion, noting the parties' agreement to entry of this Order, and being otherwise advised in the premises, finds as follows:

- 1. Paragraph 20. B. of the subject "Agreement For Purchase And Sale Of Brentstone Apartments" provides that the Buyer (Defendant, Leonard J. Samia) had two possible remedies in the event of a breach by the Seller (Plaintiff Brentstone Partners, L.P.), either: 1) terminate the Agreement and receive from the Escrow Agent the full amount of the Earnest Money (\$50,000), or 2) enforce the provisions of the Agreement by an action for specific performance.
- 2. Samia has elected not to pursue specific performance. Accordingly, Samia's only other remedy for Brentstone's alleged simple breach of contract is to receive a return of the \$50,000 earnest money deposit.
- 3. The \$50,000 earnest money deposit was deposited into the registry of this Court by the escrow agent immediately after the filing of this action and the escrow agent was dismissed as a party hereto.

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4. Because both Samia's remedy for simple breach of contract as alleged herein on the

part of Brentstone, as well as Brentstone's remedy for simple breach of contract as alleged in its

counterclaim against Samia are confined to an award of the \$50,000 earnest money deposit, this

Court lacks subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to, which provides for a \$75,000 amount in

controversy.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Both Samia's remedy for simple breach of contract and Brentstone's remedy for

simple breach of contract are confined to an award of the \$50,000 earnest money deposit.

2. This case is hereby dismissed without prejudice based on this Court's lack of subject

matter jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1332.

3. This Order is not intended to be nor shall it be construed as a finding on the merits

that either party breached a contractual or other duty owed to the other, nor shall it be construed as

an admission of liability on the part of either party.

4. The Court Clerk is ordered to return the earnest money of \$50,000 forthwith to

Brunini, Grantham, Grower and Hewes, PLLC the escrow agent set forth in the Contract.

**SO ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010.

Louis Guirola, Jr.

United States District Judge

s Louis Guirola, Jr.

### **APPROVED FOR ENTRY:**

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